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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO **OFFICE ACTION MAILED ON JANUARY 13, 2006**

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 13, 2006, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite extension fee of \$200.00, for one extra independent claim, and any additional fees which may be required, to the credit card listed on the attached PTO-2038. However, if the PTO-2038 is missing, if the amount listed thereon is insufficient, or if the amount is unable to be charged to the credit card for any other reason, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1315; Order No. ITWO:0016/YOD (13086).

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